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PATENT APPLICATION

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

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Please cancel claims 64-87 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please add new claims 88-110 as follows:

A' -- 88. A process for the preparation of a heterogeneous catalytic formulation as a solid composite comprising of porous solid support having deposited thereon a catalytically active solid, said process comprising impregnating the solid support with the catalytically active entity and the catalytically inert additive followed by drying, dried support having deposited thereon catalytically active entity and the catalytically inert additive is added to a solution of group IIA metal compound, with simultaneous agitation and the suspension is aged for 1 to 48 hours with agitation, wherein the support is mechanically robust and